

Boston, June 1, 1836.

My Love:

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A heavy load of anxiety has been removed from my mind to-day, by the receipt of Anna's kind and affectionate letter, informing me that you still continue to improve in health, though debilitated from the effects of your fever. Assure her of my heartfelt gratitude for her prompt attention; for, had I not heard from Brooklyn to-day, I should have been miserable in the extreme.

Are you desirous of my return? So great is my solicitude to ~~see~~ you, as well as all the rest of the household. Here I remain an unwilling prisoner, yet willingly discharging the duties devolving upon me. I know not how to stay away much longer, yet know not how to leave conveniently. Mr. Tillson is to fill Henry's place till he recovers, so that I cannot make the arrangement with Mr. Baileigh respecting the Liberator. This will make my absence from this city more objectionable; nevertheless, I shall stay in Brooklyn until the heat of the summer is over. One thing I must certainly do—be more industrious as to editorial matter than heretofore, and then there will be less complaint.

The rooms now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. May, at Miss Parker's, are engaged by the partner of Mr. Drew. Mr. May feels very sorry that I did not secure them; but it would only have been a bill of expense to me had I done so now, having my family in Connecticut. In the fall, I have no doubt Miss Parker will be able to accommodate us very comfortably.



It is possible I may be in Brooklyn on Saturday afternoon, via Worcester; yet you must not be disappointed if I should <sup>not</sup> come until next week. Mr. May, with his family, hopes to be in the village a week from to-morrow.

Yesterday I received another letter from my dear friend Thompson, dated Glasgow, April 29. He gives me the pleasing intelligence, that Mrs. Thompson had just presented him with another son, — a fine boy, — whom he has named Wm. Lloyd Garrison! This is returning a compliment as swiftly as the winds and waves could bring it, and nature and friendship could prepare it. Methinks, should his babe and ours be spared to behold and embrace each other with youthful ardor, that will be an interesting scene. I trust we shall live to witness it. Mrs. T. was rapidly recovering, and desired to be remembered to you kindly.

Mr. Knapp will probably return from Newburyport this evening. The meeting-house which was promised to the County Anti-Slavery Society was closed against them, and they were forced to hold their meeting in a large garden, in the open air! Benches were obtained, and very good audiences brought together. There was no disturbance. I have just seen Burlingame, who was present, and he reports the proceedings to have been very spirited, more so than they would have been, probably, had no opposition been made. The speakers were Stanton, Burlingame, Stuart, T. S. Wright, H. C. Wright, Mr. Taylor of Virginia, Mr. Caples, Mr. Hilton, &c. George Bourne gave a lecture on Popery. Shame on my



native place! But she is not wholly corrupt. There are many of her children who sympathize with the down-trodden slave.

I have written eight or ten pretty long letters to England, this week, addressed to various friends. Will you not compliment me for my industry? Your praise is dearer than any person's. Ah! but I ought to accomplish still more.

Not a word yet respecting the health of brother Henry!— I shall endeavor to write to him this evening.

The Glasgow paper which Anna says was sent a few days since by father, probably came to hand—as one was given to me by Mr. Knapp.

To day is the first day of Summer; yet arise, the roofs of the houses were covered with white frost! How dreary the last fortnight must have been to you in Brooklyn—i. e. if the weather was as gloomy there as it has been here.

Anna writes quite flatteringly about our darling babe. It is comforting to know that he is in good health, while his mother is so feeble. Do you think he will know me on my return? If he should not, it will take us long to renew our acquaintance.

"The Young Mother," is the title of a new work just published in this city by Dr. Alcott, a copy of which I shall bring with me. It is an admirable and most instructive work, just what you and all mothers need. Six hundred copies were sold the first day it was published. Mrs. May recommends it very highly. Babies should be washed in tepid, not cold water, says the Dr.



Yesterday, a venerable member of the Society of Friends  
and his wife, living in New-Hampshire 150 miles from Boston,  
came to see me, bringing with ~~me~~<sup>them</sup> as a present from ~~his~~<sup>their</sup> son,  
a box of maple sugar, made by himself. They desired to be spe-  
cially remembered to you, on account of your trials during the riot.

Gingles.

Mrs. Helen C. Garrison,

Brooklyn,

Connecticut.

Mr. Knapp will shortly publish a volume of Hymns  
composed and selected by Mrs. Chapman in the most admirable  
manner. I think there will be a quick demand for it.

Kisses for the babe and yourself, and love to all  
the dear ones. Soon I hope to be with you in peace and joy.

Faithfully, lovingly yours, Wm. Lloyd Garrison.